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FM AMEMBASSY LIMA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9607

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SUBJECT: ABOLISHMENT OF ONE C&R POSITION

REF: STATE 059057

1. AS POINTED OUT IN EMBASSY'S REPLY TO THE 1975 INSPECTION REPORT, ONE AMERICAN C&R POSITION COULD BE ABOLISHED AT THIS POST IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS SUGGESTED BY THE INSPECTORS WERE MET, ALTHOUGH APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS LEAD TIME WOULD BE NECESSARY. THESE CONDITIONS HAVE NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED, PENDING A REPLY TO THE REGIONAL BUREAU'S COMPLIANCE REPORT OF JANUARY 2, 1976 WHICH SUGGESTED THAT OC BE CONSULTED AND POINTED OUT THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN REGIONAL BUREAU AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A LOCAL POSITION. IT WOULD APPEAR FROM THE REFTEL THAT OC HAS BEEN CONSULTED AND INTENDS TO ABOLISH THE POSITION IN QUESTION, ALTHOUGH THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO OTHER GUIDANCE ON THIS MATTER.

2. ON THIS BASIS, THE EMBASSY WILL ORDER A HIGH-SPEED COPY MACHINE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE INSPECTORS FOR THE REPRODUCTION OF INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGES. LEAD TIME IS ESTIMATED AT APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS.

3. WITH REGARD TO PARAGRAPH 5(A) OF IM-10 OF AUGUST 1975, IT IS REQUESTED THAT OC ADVISE THE EMBASSY WHEN IT CAN PROVIDE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO PUNCH UNCLASSIFIED TAPES AND REPRODUCE UNCLASSIFIED

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INCOMING UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGES. THIS EQUIPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE

LOCALLY. IT WAS THE INSPECTORS' INTENTION THAT THIS OPERATION BE LOCATED IN THE UNCLASSIFIED MAIL ROOM AND MANNED BY A LOCAL EMPLOYEE.

4. IF THE REGIONAL BUREAU CONCURS, THE EMBASSY WILL MOVE AHEAD WITH THE ELIMINATION OF A LOCAL CHAUFFEUR POSITION (PARAGRAPH 70 OF COMPLIANCE MEMORANDUM DATED JANUARY 2, 1976) AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL C&R POSITION FOR THIS PURPOSE. THIS CHANGE SHOULD AWAIT THE ARRIVAL OF THE EQUIPMENT THAT OC MUST PROVIDE (PARAGRAPH 3 ABOVE) AND SHOULD ALLOW SUBSEQUENTLY FOR A THREE MONTH TRAINING PERIOD FOR THE LOCAL EMPLOYEE.

5. THE EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT OC WILL NO LONGER LOOK TO LIMA FOR ROUTINE TDY ASSISTANCE TO NEARBY POSTS, AS HAS BEEN THE CASE IN THE PAST, WHEN THE AMERICAN C&R POSITION IS ABOLISHED.

6. PLEASE CONFIRM THE FOREGOING ASSUMPTIONS AND PLANS.
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